

UTAH Regulators direct CLECs to respond to data requests

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The Public Service Commission directed competitive local exchange carriers to provide, no later than Oct. 10, data regarding the unbundled loops, extended loops, and other lines purchased from Qwest Corp. in certain wire centers that is being sought by the Division of Public Utilities to aid its investigation into recent additions to Qwest's nonimpaired wire center list.

In late June, Qwest submitted an updated wire center list and supporting data to the PSC for approval. Subsequently, however, competitive carriers such as Covad Communications, Eschelon Telecom of Utah, Inc., McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc., and Integra, Telecom, Inc., filed an objection to Qwest's Orem central office being classified as a Tier 2 wire center.

The Division of Public Utilities also disputed the classification of the Orem central office, but recommended approval of the Tier 2 designation for the Midvale wire center. The division recommended that a detailed investigation be conducted to review and analyze the data relating to the Orem wire center.

The parties participated in a procedural conference last week and determined that it was necessary for the CLECs to provide the division with data regarding the number of unbundled network elements purchased from Qwest. In addition, Qwest is being required to provide notice to the CLECs not participating in the docket that they are also required to submit the required data to the Division of Public Utilities. (Docket 07-049-30)

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